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Information

1. Between 1 and 14 October 1953, the Putlitz Kaserne on Memelerstrasse, Rostock, was occupied by an estimated 1,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery, motor transport and signal insignia. On 3 October, individual groups of soldiers, totaling about 150 men and including about 40 soldiers receiving instruction on AT guns and in groups of 10 soldiers receiving instruction on 2 x 57-mm AT guns; and 12 trucks were seen in the barracks yard. At noon on 7 October, an undetermined number of troops were cleaning 12 x 57-mm AT guns, 5 x 100-mm AT guns, 3 half-track vehicles and 40 trucks. At noon on 8 October, an undetermined number of troops received instruction on 3 x 100-mm AT guns and 2 x 76.2-mm AT guns. Twelve 45-mm AT guns and 10 trucks were in the vehicle sheds.

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2. Between 1 and 14 October, the barracks installation on Ulmenstrasse was occupied by an estimated 800 troops, including about 500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery, motor transport and signal insignia; 150 troops wearing black-bordered red epaulets and 150 naval personnel. On 6 October, a column of 20 trucks, including some towing 76.2-mm AT guns; field kitchens and 350 troops entered the installation. On 12 October, truck towing a 76.2-mm AT gun, entered the installation.

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Comment.

the two barracks installations can be carried occupied as previously by units of the 3d Gds AT Arty Frig prior to mid-October.

The troops observed on 6 October probably were units of the brigade returning to their installation, possibly coming from exercises.

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